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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES."

Strike subsections (a) and (b) of section 1 in their entirety and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) (1) Notwithstanding 3 4 any provision of the general statutes, on and before January 1, 2009, no 5 state agency, including, but not limited to, the Department of Children 6 and Families, may close a residential facility operated by the 7 Department of Children and Families without obtaining (A) prior 8 legislative approval of a plan to close the facility in accordance with 9 this section, and (B) prior approval of the legislative body of the 10 affected municipality.

(2) In developing such plan, if any, the relevant state agency shall consult with the chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of

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matters relating to the judiciary, appropriations and human services, and the select committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children.

(b) To obtain such legislative approval, the state agency shall file a plan with the clerks of the House of Representatives and the Senate. The plan shall include details about (1) the proposed closure and any proposed new facility for residents displaced by the closure; (2) the number of residents and staff affected by the proposed closure and the number of potential residents of any proposed new facility; (3) the associated costs of the proposed closure and any proposed new facility; (4) statutory changes necessary to implement the closure or construction of a proposed new facility; (5) the planned use, if any, of the facility's land and buildings after the closure; and (6) the likely fiscal impact to the affected municipality due to factors such as the loss of tax revenue."